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In re Application of	:	
JUBB et al	:	DECISION ON
Application No.: 09/202,758	:	
PCT No.: PCT/GB97/01667	:	RENEWED PETITION
Int. Filing Date: 20 June 1997	:	
Priority Date: 21 June 1996	:	UNDER 37 CFR 1.182
Attorney Docket No.: M8540/185343	:	
For: SALINE SOLUBLE INORGANIC FIBRES	:	

This decision is in response to the "Request for Reconsideration of Decision on Petition under 37 CFR 1.182" filed 18 November 1999.

**BACKGROUND**

On 20 June 1997, applicants filed international application No. PCT/GB97/01667, which claims a priority date of 21 June 1996 and designates the United States. A Demand, in which the U.S. was elected, was filed within 19 months of the priority date. Accordingly, the deadline for entry into the national stage in the U.S. expired as of midnight of 21 December 1998.

On 21 December 1998, applicants filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) a Transmittal Letter (Form PTO-1390) accompanied by, *inter alia*, the basic national fee and an executed declaration of the inventors. In the "FAMILY NAME" box of the declaration pertaining to the fourth named inventor, the name "WASSELL" appears along with the indication "(Formerly AJW) (LOWE)." The declaration has been signed by "A.J. Wassell." In addition, the Transmittal Letter references "Form PCT/IB/306 changing name of Inventor Jane Wassell," which form is present in the application file and indicates the recording of a change in the name of applicant-inventor Jane Alison Lowe to "Jane Alison Wassell." The submission was treated as including a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 to effect a name change of the inventor.

On 15 September 1999, a decision was mailed dismissing the petition for failure to

comply with the provisions of MPEP 605.04(c). A two-month extendable period for reply was set therein.

On 18 November 1999, applicants filed the present renewed petition accompanied by a declaration from inventor Alison Jane Wassell.

### DISCUSSION

MPEP § 605.04(c) requires in instances where an inventor has changed his or her name after the application has been filed to submit a petition under 37 CFR 1.182. The petition must include (1) the appropriate petition fee and (2) an affidavit signed with both names setting forth the procedure whereby the change of name was effected, or a certified copy of the court order.

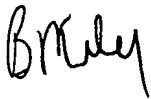
As indicated in the prior decision, the petition fee has been paid.

With regards to item (2), the present petition is accompanied by an affidavit signed by Ms. Wassell with both names setting forth the procedure whereby the change of name was effected.

### CONCLUSION

For the reasons above, the petition under 37 CFR 1.182 is GRANTED.

The application is being forwarded to the National Stage Processing Branch of the Office of PCT Operations to continue national stage processing of the present application, including according the application 35 U.S.C. 371(c) and 102(e) dates of 21 December 1998.



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